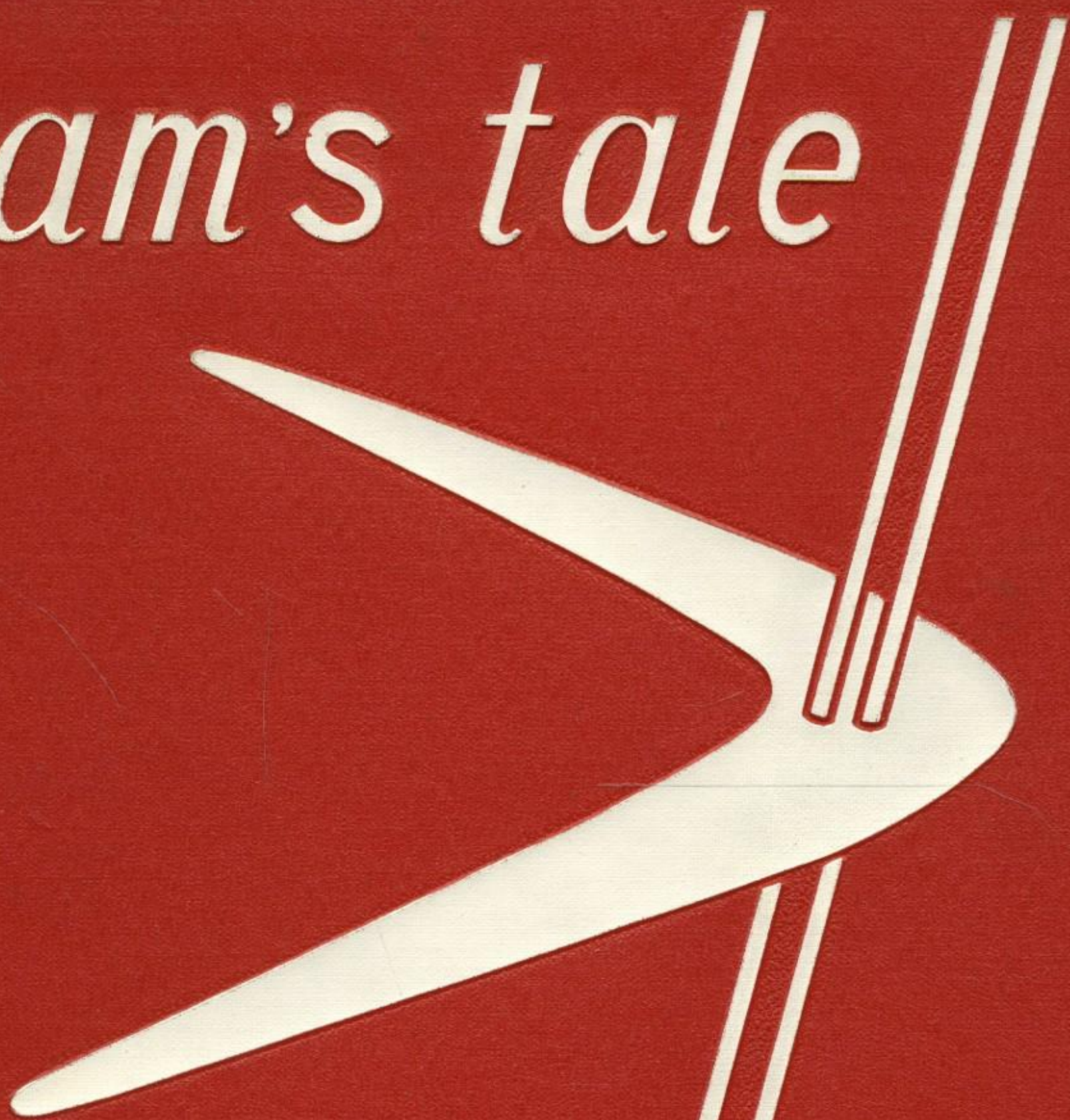


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Carl Wiltse

Good luck to a good kid
Rodd Blakelee

"John Wozniak"
"62"

good luck
in school

good luck to a
swell kid

Sandy
Name
"62"

"I HOPE"

city
"62"
Rodd

THE 1957 RAMSTALE

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BUT





Rockford High School

WE POINT WITH PRIDE



To Mr. Lindhout

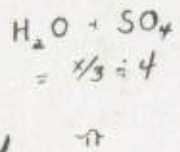
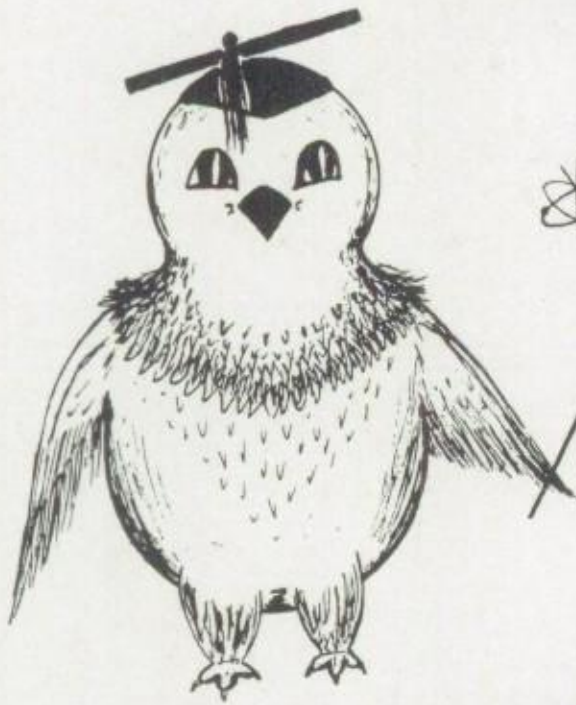
For your patience

For your guidance

For the time and effort you
you have spent on our behalf

We, the Class of 1957, dedicate
this Ram's Tale to you.

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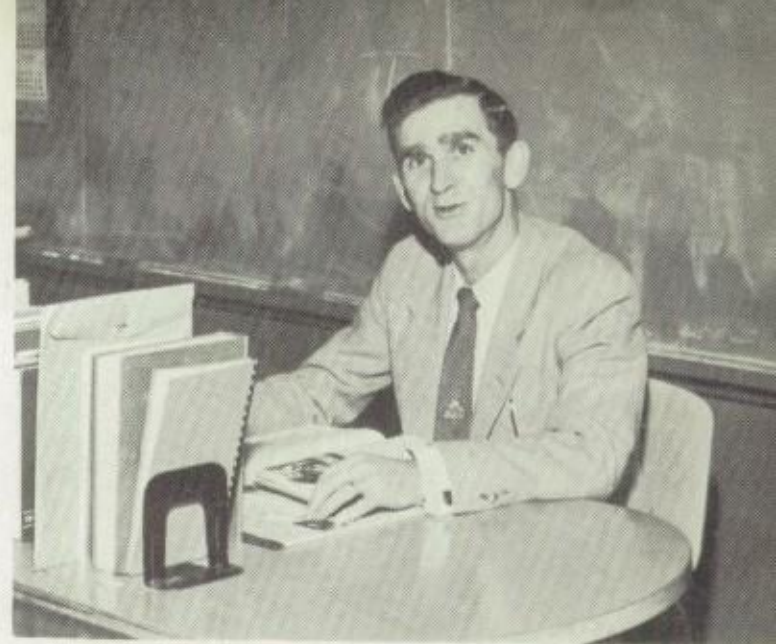
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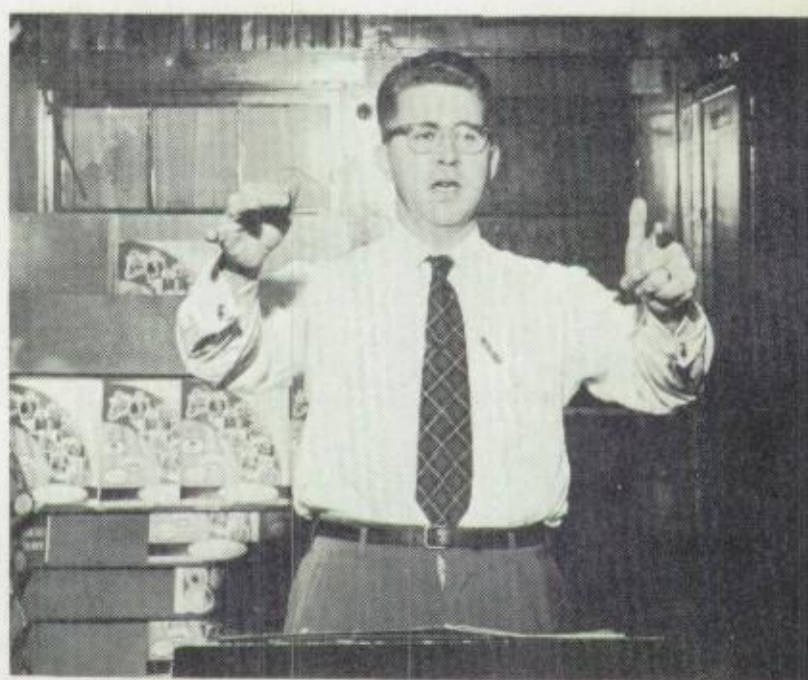
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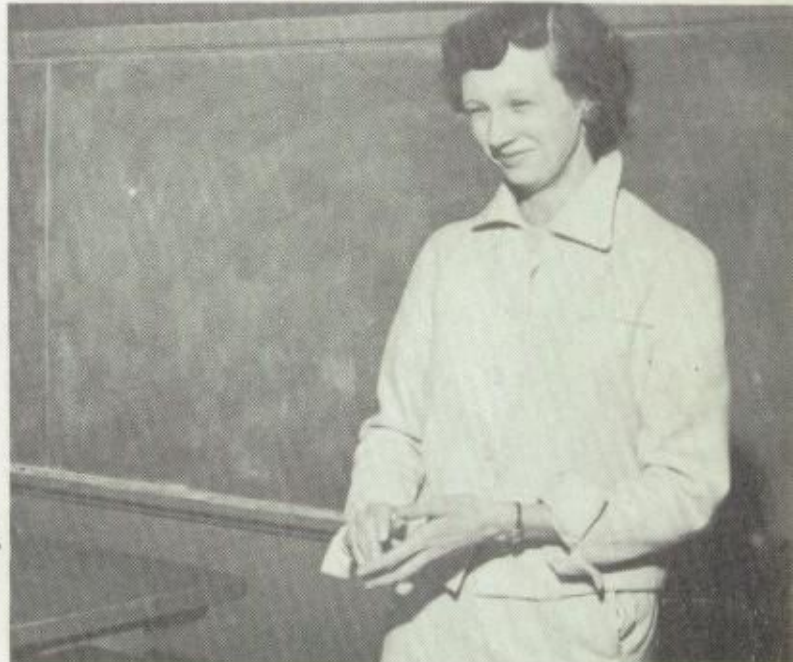
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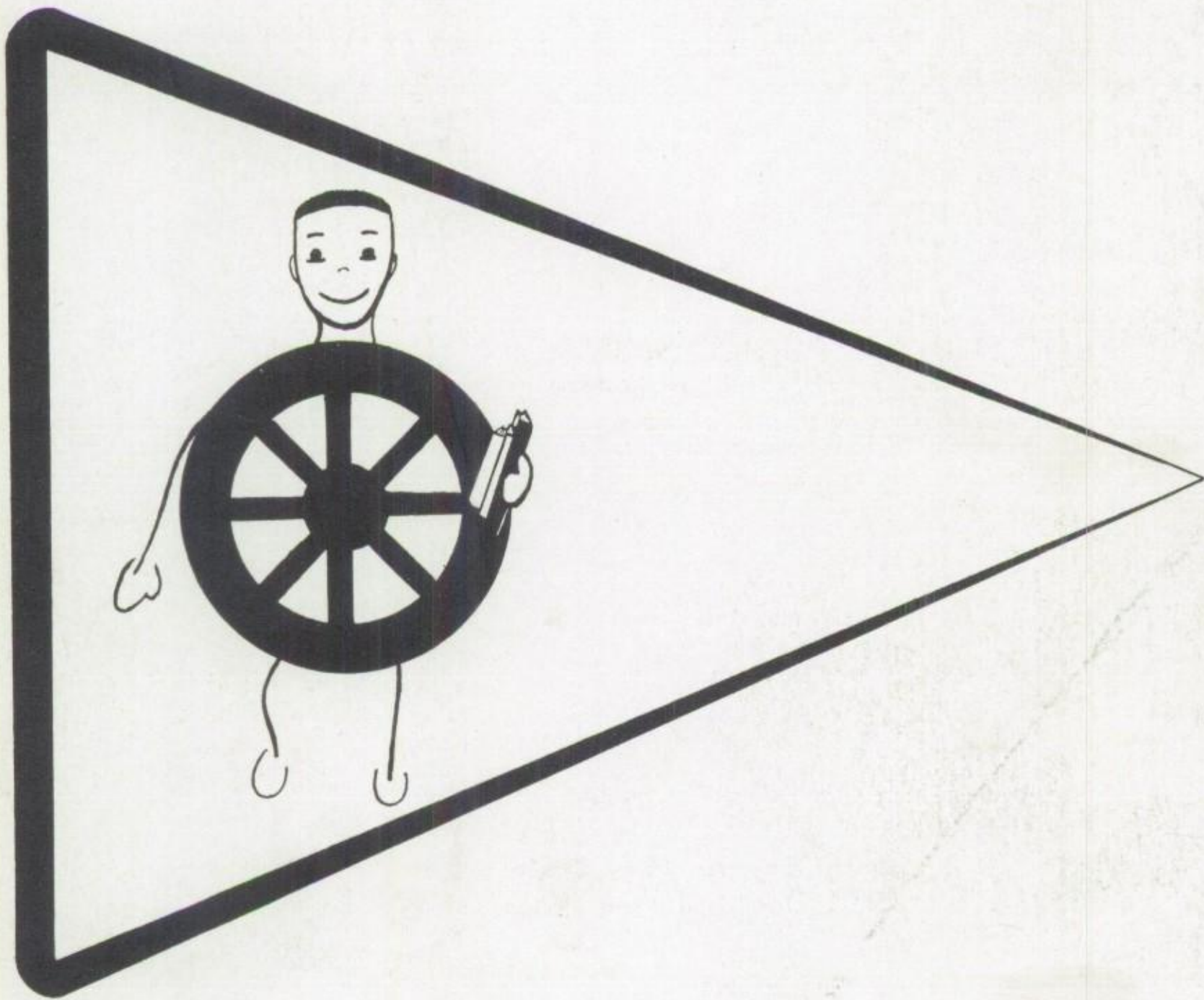
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Sally Knecht



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James Hall
Max DeCator
Ardie Elkins
Roy Johnson



SENIORS





JUDY ADAMS

"The difficult she does immediately, the impossible takes a little longer."

Annual Staff, T.F.Y., F.T.A., Student Council, Nat'l. Honor Society, Science Club, Jr. Play, Senior Band, Choir, Monitor.

WILLIAM BECKETT

"A man who is neither a wit in his own eye, or a fool in the eyes of the world."

Baseball, Football, Basketball.



JUDY AUSTIN

"A rose is sweeter in the bud than in full bloom."

Sr. Y-Teens, G.A.A.

BARBARA JANE BENHAM

"Every person has her devilish moments."

Senior Council, Student Court, Chief Justice, Nat'l. Honor Soc., Senior Play, Choir, Annual, F.T.A., G.A.A., Latin Club, Rocket Staff, Homecoming Court.



DANIEL BARKER

"Life's a funny proposition after all."

Senior Choir, Alpha Beta.

PATRICIA BENNETT

"Always leave them laughing when you say goodbye."
G.A.A., F.T.A., Sr. Choir, Sr. Council, Annual Staff.



ROGER BARTON

"Like two single gentlemen rolled into one."

Hi-Y, Sr. Choir, Monitor.

BARBARA BESSEMER

"I was so very humble."
F.H.A., Monitor.



PATRICIA BECKER

"She must be seen to be appreciated."

T.F.Y., Spanish Club, Senior Play, Choir.

PATRICIA BIRMAN

"I am so outnumbered there is only one thing to do — attack."

G.A.A., Camera Club, Sr. Play.





SHIRLEY BOULTINGHOUSE
 "She says little, but to a purpose."
 Spanish Club, F.T.A., G.A.A., Y-Teens.



DONNA BRODOWSKI
 "Manner, not gold, is woman's best adornment."
 F.N.C., Spanish Club, Homecoming Court, Sr. Play.



CARL BRONKEMA
 "It is better to wear out than to rust out."
 Cross Country, Track, Football, F.F.A., R-Club, Senior Council, Student Court, Senior Band, Senior Play.



DOROTHY BYRNE
 "Come up and see me some time!"
 Annual Staff, Cheerleaders, Sr. Council, G.A.A., F.T.A., Rocket Staff, Sr. Choir.



DALE CARLBERG
 "It is better to blush than to turn pale."

GLENDA CHRISMAN
 "As good as gold?"
 Sr. Council, F.T.A., Alpha Beta, Y-Teens, Sr. Band, Majorette, F.N.C., G.A.A.

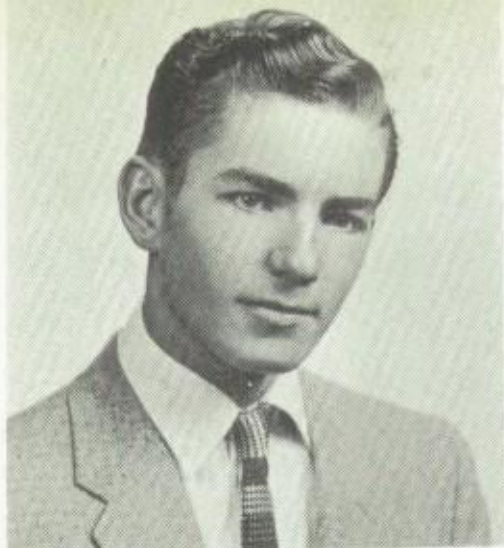
MARLIN CHRISTENSEN
 "I came, I saw, I conquered."
 Football, Track, F.F.A., R-Club, Sr. Play, Cross Country, Hi-Y.

DARLENE CONANT
 "This warm, kind world is all I know."
 Y-Teens, Monitor, F.H.A., Choir, Alpha Beta.

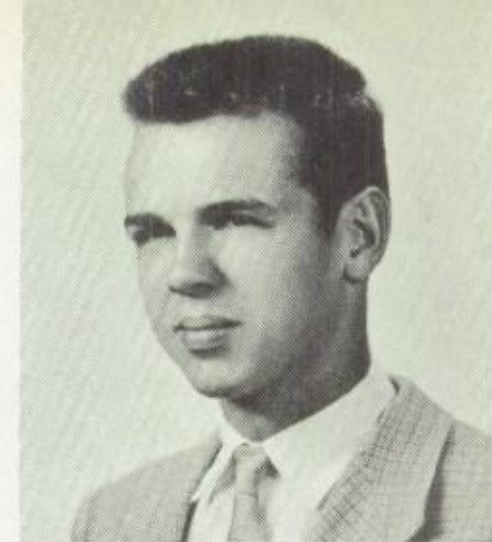
ROY COVEY
 "The only good Indians I ever saw were dead!"
 Sr. Play.

DAVID IRWIN DAGLEY
 "Beast, but a just beast."
 Baseball, Basketball, Football, R-Club, Sr. Council, F.T.A., Alpha Beta, Jr. Play, Rocket Staff.

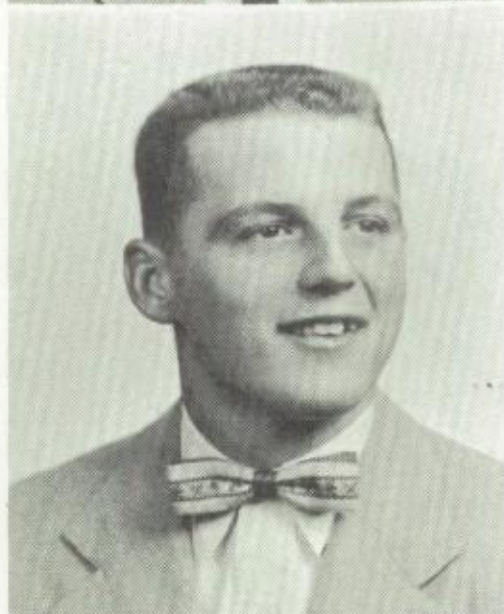




WAYNE DORAIS
"The Devil watches all opportunities."
 Baseball.



ROBERT FIERSE
"I'm not arguing with you, I'm telling you."
 Baseball, R-Club, Cross Country, Football, F.F.A.



MELVIN EGGLESTON
"The ground flew up and hit me in the head."
 Baseball, Football, Basketball, Track, T.F.Y., R-Club.



NANCY ADAIRE FISHER
"Bait the hook well; this 'Fish' will bite!"
 Student Court, Sr. Council, F.T.A., Sr. Play, Jr. Play, Pros. Attorney, Homecoming Court, Annual Staff, Monitor, Sr. Class Secretary.



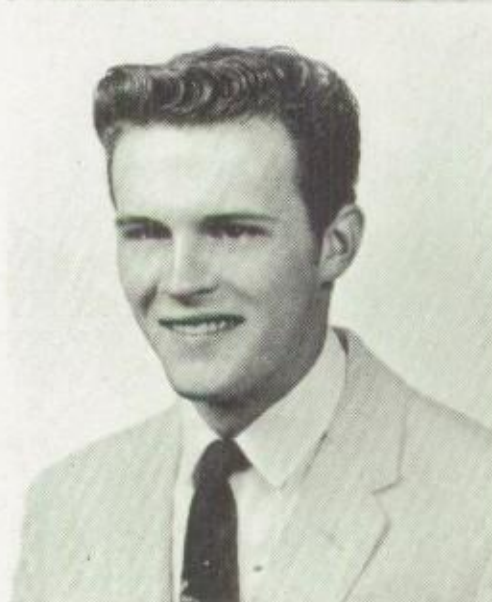
PATRICIA ELERICK
"Believe it or not!"

GERALDINE FISK
"Bright towers of silence."
 Monitor.



JAMES FARMER
"Good fighter and a good sportsman."
 Sr. Choir, Chief of Police, Student Court, Student Council, F.T.A., Track, Football, Basketball, R-Club, Jr. Play, Sr. Play.

EDWARD GILLESPIE
"What this country needs is a good five-cent cigar!"
 Class Treasurer.



NANCY FERRAND
"A good mind possesses a kingdom."
 Spanish Club, F.T.A., Y-Teens, Nat'l. Honor Soc., Alpha Beta, Latin Club, Sr. Play.

BONDA GOBLE
"Rose is a rose is a rose is a rose."
 Annual Staff, Cheerleader, Sr. Council, G.A.A., Future Teachers Assn., Spanish Club, Social Commissioner, Sr. Choir, Homecoming Court.





MARIE GOULD
"My cause is just."
Sr. Choir, Sr. Band.

GARY INGRAHAM
"A woman would run
through fire and water for
such a kind heart."
Track, Hi-Y, Student Police,
Sr. Choir, Jr. Play, Sr. Play.



CAROLE ANN HAMILTON
"Loose were her jetty locks,
in wavy tresses flowing."
Sr. Y-Teens, Future Teachers
Assn., Science Club, Spanish
Club, Librarian.

PATRICIA INMAN
"The Twelve-Pound look."



BEA HERRINGTON
"Yes, an' no, an' mebbe
not."
G.A.A., Future Homemakers
Assn., Sr. Choir, Librarian.

BURCHARD JACKSON
"There's Stonewall Jackson,
riding ahead."
F.F.A., Track, Cross Country,
Debate Team, Sr. Band, Stu-
dent Court System, Sr. Play,
Forensics.



BILL HERRINGTON
"There is always room at
the top."
Football, Basketball, Track,
"R" Club, Sr. Council, Base-
ball.

BRUCE JOHNSON
"I want what I want when
I want it."
Monitor, Debate Team, Sr.
Play.



JERRY HOUSE
"He could whip his weight
in wildcats."
Football, Basketball, Track,
Science Club.

ALICE MARIE JOST
"It is quality rather than
quantity that matters."
Forensics, Jr. Play, Sr. Play,
Annual Staff, Sr. Council.





BETH KNOFF

"Born with a gift of laughter."
Cheerleader, Y-Teens, G.A.A.
Sr. Choir, Future Teachers.



LEAH JOY LANGLEY

"Oysters?!!"
Sr. Council, Annual Staff, Editor of '57 Annual, F.T.A., G.A.A., Sr. Play, Student Court.



RUTH KNOX

"She loves prompting."
Spanish Club, F.T.A., Forensics, Prompter, Jr. Play, Debate, Student Director, Sr. Play, Future Nurses.



MELVIN LANNING

"Out of mind as soon as out of sight."
F.T.A., Sr. Choir.



WANDA KOLENBRANDER

"What an arm full — what a waist for an arm."
G.A.A.



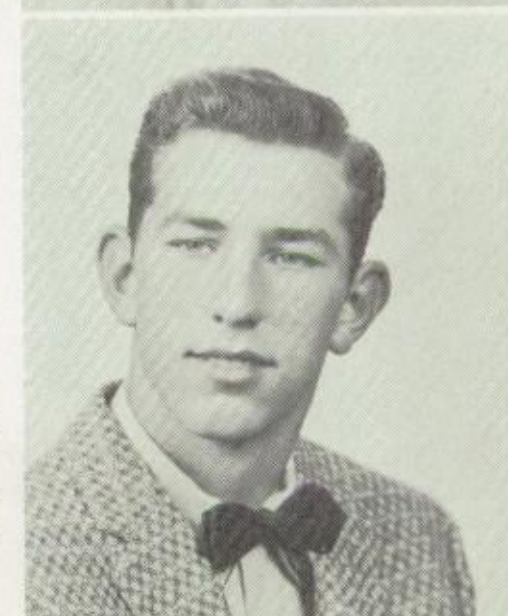
CAROL LEE

"Women are wiser than men because they know less and understand more."
F.H.A., Truth for Youth, Sr. Band, Drum Major, G.A.A., Jr. Y-Teens, Future Nurses, Girls' State, Majorette.



NANCY LEE KONING

"Give all to love and love to all."
Y-Teens, Forensics, G.A.A., F.T.A., Annual Staff, Sr. Council, Spanish Club, Sr. Play, Rocket Staff.



RICHARD LONDON

"The American system of rugged individualism."
Football, Alpha Beta, Basketball, Baseball, Spanish Club.



JOHN KRAUSE

"I do not choose to run for president in 1968."
Basketball, Football, Track, R-Club, Annual Staff, Jr. Play, Sr. Play, Chief of Police, Mayor, Sr. Council, National Honor Society, Monitor, Sr. Choir.



DORTHEA MAGOON

"The only way to have a friend is to be one."
T.F.Y., Monitor, Choir.



JOAN MASON
 "Gracious, why wasn't I
 born old?"
 Forensics, Truth for Youth.

MARGARET MUSTE
 "I'm no angel."
 T.F.Y., Nurses Training Club.



BERYL McCLURE
 "A smattering of every-
 thing."
 G.A.A., Library Club, Senior
 Choir.

PATRICIA LEE NELSON
 "Life would be very dull
 without her."
 Cheerleader, Forensics, Future
 Teachers, G.A.A., Spanish
 Club.



BARBARA ANN MEINKE
 "There are two good things
 in life, freedom of thought
 and freedom of action."
 Library Club, Cheerleader,
 Rocket Staff, G.A.A., F.H.A.,
 Y-Teens, Future Teachers, Sr.
 Choir, Annual Staff, Queen's
 Court.

VIRGINIA NELSON
 "My idea of an agreeable
 person."
 Science Club, Spanish Club,
 Sr. Play.



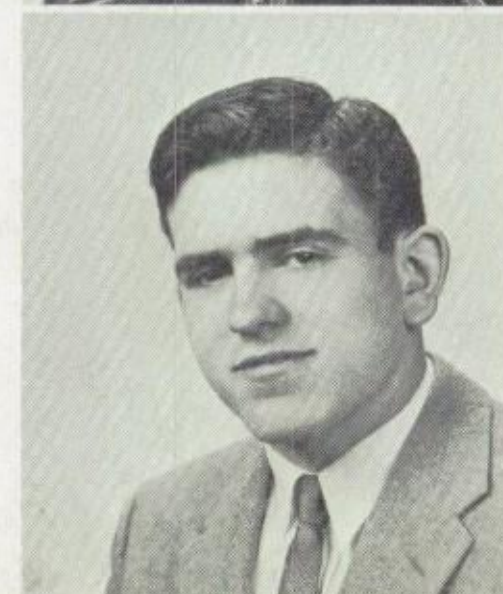
CATHERINE MARY
 MORRISON
 "Queen rose in the garden
 of the feminine."
 Jr. Play, Future Teachers Club,
 Sr. Choir, President Future
 Teachers, Cheerleader, Queen
 of Homecoming, Monitor.

DOLORES NEWTON
 "A warm heart is worth
 gold."
 Monitor, F.H.A., Sr. Play.



MARCIA MULDER
 "The theater is the House
 of Life."
 Monitor, Jr. Play, Sr. Play.

JOHN OOM
 "Eureka!"
 Sr. Choir.





SCHERRY OSWALT

"A smile is the whisper of
a laugh."
F.H.A.



JAYNE PLAMBECK

"God made her a heart of
gold, shining sweet and
pure."
Y-Teens, Future Teachers Club,
T.F.Y., G.A.A., Science Club,
Sr. Council.



MICHAEL OTTERBACHER

"A vast expenditure of
human voice."
Vice-President, Treasurer, Bas-
ketball, Baseball, Track, Foot-
ball, Sr. Student Council, R-
Club, Alpha Beta, Jr. Play, Sr.
Play, Rocket Staff, F.T.A.



GORDON PLOEG

"He's as thin as a lath."
Tennis, Spanish Club, Student
Council, Police Force, Jr. Play,
Sr. Play.



PATRICIA ANN OTTO

"Whose little body lodg'd
a mighty mind."
Annual Staff, Alpha Beta,
G.A.A., Y-Teens, Sr. Council,
Spanish Club, National Honor
Society, Future Teachers Club,
Homecoming Court, Rocket
Staff.



DONALD PLUMB

"I am a great eater of beef,
and I believe that it does
harm to my wit."
Baseball, Future Teachers
Club, Student Police, Science
Club, Latin Club.



CHARLES PARKS

"The best way out is al-
ways through."
Baseball, Football, R-Club, Sr.
Council, Forensics, T.F.Y., Sr.
Choir, Sr. Band, Jr. Play, Sr.
Play, Latin Club, Monitor.



RONALD PYNE

"Be a bush if you can't be
a tree."
Baseball, Basketball.



JEROLD LEROY PATTERSON

"I wish I were single again."
Football, Spanish Club, Alpha
Beta, Student Police, Vice-
President.



JUDITH KAY RANDALL

"I shall laugh myself to
death."
Y-Teens, G.A.A., Future Nurses
Club, Latin Club, Sr. Choir,
Sr. Band, Annual Staff, Jr.
Play, Sr. Play, Monitor.



FAYE RECTOR

"A girl of few words with a friendly disposition."
F.H.A., G.A.A., Librarian, Archery Club, National Honor Society.

JUDY STUTHARD

"A light heart lives long."
Y-Teens, Cheerleader, Sr. Choir.



CAROLYN JUDITH SEELMAN

"A little sunburnt by the glare of life!"

Alpha Beta, G.A.A., Annual Staff, Student Council, Y-Teens, Sr. Play, Future Teachers Club, Sr. Band, Majorette, Rocket Staff, Latin Club, Secretary, Homecoming Court.

KAREN LYNNE VANDEN BOSCH

"Please don't shoot the pianist, she is doing her best."

Future Teachers Club, Secretary, Sr. Council, G.A.A., Sr. Play, Monitor.



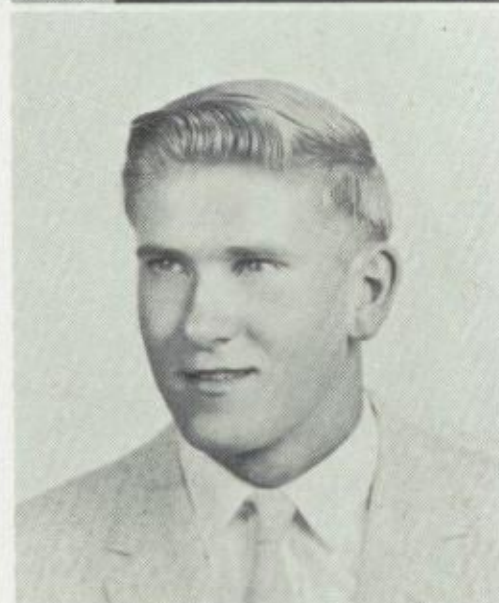
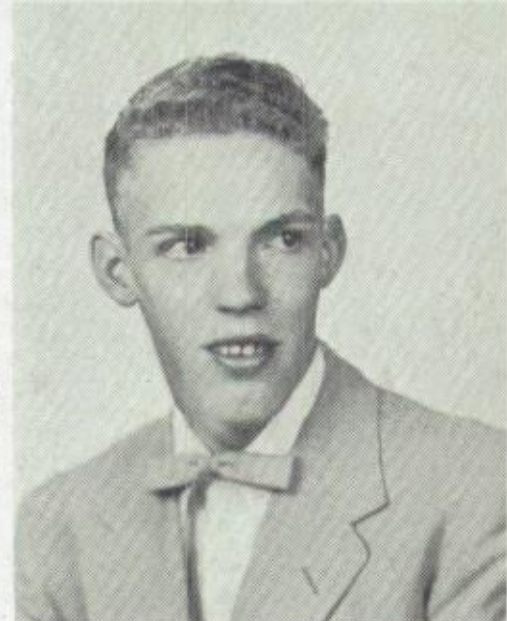
GLENDA SKINNER

"You'll find me rough, but ready!"

Y-Teens, Librarian, Annual Staff.

MARVIN VANDER MEY

"This is the Law of the Yukon, that only the strong should survive."



ROGER STINSON

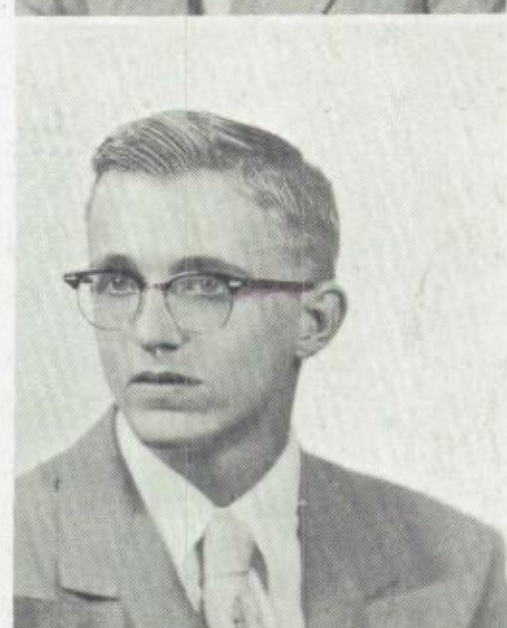
"You ain't heard nothin yet, folks!"

Football, Track, F.F.A.

OLAI VANDER PAN

"A good man does good merely by living."

F.F.A., Sr. Play.



GLORIA STUTHARD

"What sweet delight a quiet life affords."

Sr. Choir, Librarian.

DANIEL VAN DYKE

"I do loathe explanations!"
Football, Baseball, Forensics, Jr. Play, Sr. Play, R-Club, Sr. Council, Future Teachers Club, Sr. Band, Monitor, Rocket Staff, Assembly Commissioner.





ROBERT STANLEY VIS
 "I'm here because I'm here
 because I'm here because
 I'm here."
 Alpha Beta, Latin Club, Stu-
 dent Court, Sr. Play, Archery
 Club.



NANCY WHITTALL
 "I am a part of all I have
 met."
 Future Teachers Club, Cheer-
 leader, Sr. Choir, Annual
 Staff, Police Force, Sr. Play.



LEONARD WELLER
 "Never were there so many
 sleepless nights, as in the
 life of this man."
 Spanish Club, F.F.A., Basket-
 ball, Future Teachers Club,
 Cross Country, R-Club, Sr.
 Council.



DONALD WOOD
 "I'll never turn her loose!"
 Track, Archery Club.



AUDLANE FAYE WHITTALL
 "I have been one acquaint-
 ed with the night."
 Sr. Choir, Sr. Band, Future
 Teachers Club, Police Force,
 Jr. Play.



BOB HUTCHINSON
 "I'll find a way or make it."

Mrs. Wesley Hessler—1947-1948



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Daughters of American Revolution
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JUNIOR PLAY I LOVE LUCY



Lucy	Marcia Mulder
Ricky	Mike Otterbacher
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Arthur	James Farmer
Peggy	Katy Morrison
Photographer	Judy Adams
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Delivery Men	Gary Ingraham
	Gordon Ploeg
Student Director	Audlane Whittall
Prompter	Ruth Knox
Director	Mr. Torreano



SENIOR PLAY

LOVE IS ETERNAL

Abraham Lincoln.....	Bruce Johnson
Mary Todd.....	Nancy Fisher
Ann Todd.....	Alice Jost
Elizabeth Edwards.....	Marcia Mulder
Ninian Edwards.....	John Krause
Robert Todd.....	Bert Jackson
Betsy Todd.....	Nancy Ferrand
Grandma Parker.....	Donna Brodowski
Mammy Sally.....	Pat Becker
Amor.....	Carolyn Seelman
Dr. Houghan.....	Roy Covey
Mrs. Houghan.....	Judy Randall
Cassius Clay.....	Charles Parks
Stephen Douglas.....	Marlin Christensen
Mercy Levering.....	Karen VandenBosch
James Conkling.....	Jim Farmer
Elizabeth Grimesby.....	Nancy Koning
Nelson.....	Gary Ingraham
Allie.....	Barbara Benham
Reverend Dresser.....	Dan Van Dyke
Mrs. Dresser.....	Leah Langley
Sarah Marshall.....	Virginia Nelson
William Stoddard.....	Carl Bronkema
Edward Stanton.....	Robert Vis
Eane Watt.....	Ruth Knox
First Caller.....	Delores Newton
Taxpayer.....	Pat Birman
Tad Lincoln.....	Jim Brower
Stackpole.....	Olai Vander Pan
Student Director.....	Audlane Whittall
Prompters.....	Pat Bennett and Ruth Knox
Director.....	Mr. Torreano





Class Politician
Bert Jackson



Most Likely to Succeed
Charles Parks

Class Brain
Bob Vis



Class Couple
Nancy Fisher
Jerry Patterson



Class Brownnoser
Barb Benham



Handsome Boy
Dick London



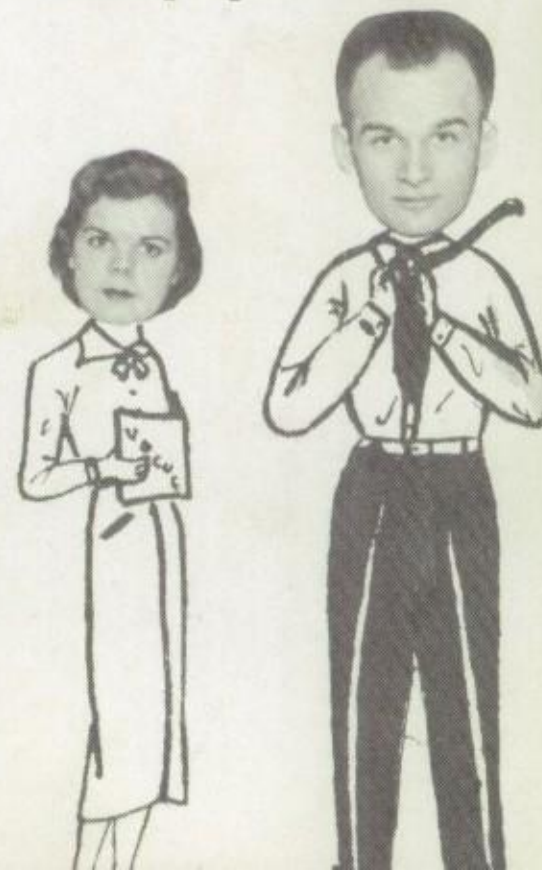
Cutest Girl
Katy Morrison



Most Popular Boy
Jim Farmer
Most Popular Girl
Bonda Goble



Best Dressed Boy
John Krause
Best Dressed Girl
Dorothy Byrne



Hyest Boy and Girl
Dale Carlberg
Alice Jost



UNDERCLASSMEN



11th GRADE

11th GRADE OFFICERS

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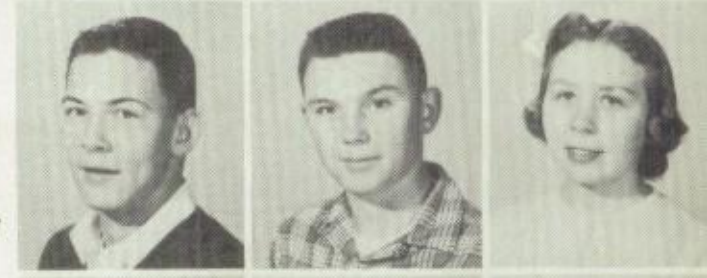


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John Buckingham
Charles Carpenter
Joan Carpenter



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Ron Cavner
David Christie
Lois Clark
David Cook
Peggy Cooley
Walter Cox



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Nancy Crist
Jerry Davis
Patsy DeCator
Patricia DeMaagd
Bradford DeVries
Leslie Dickerson



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Ione Disbrow
Bonny Dobbyn
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Judy Fairbrother
Tim Former
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Sidney Fisk
Carol Follick
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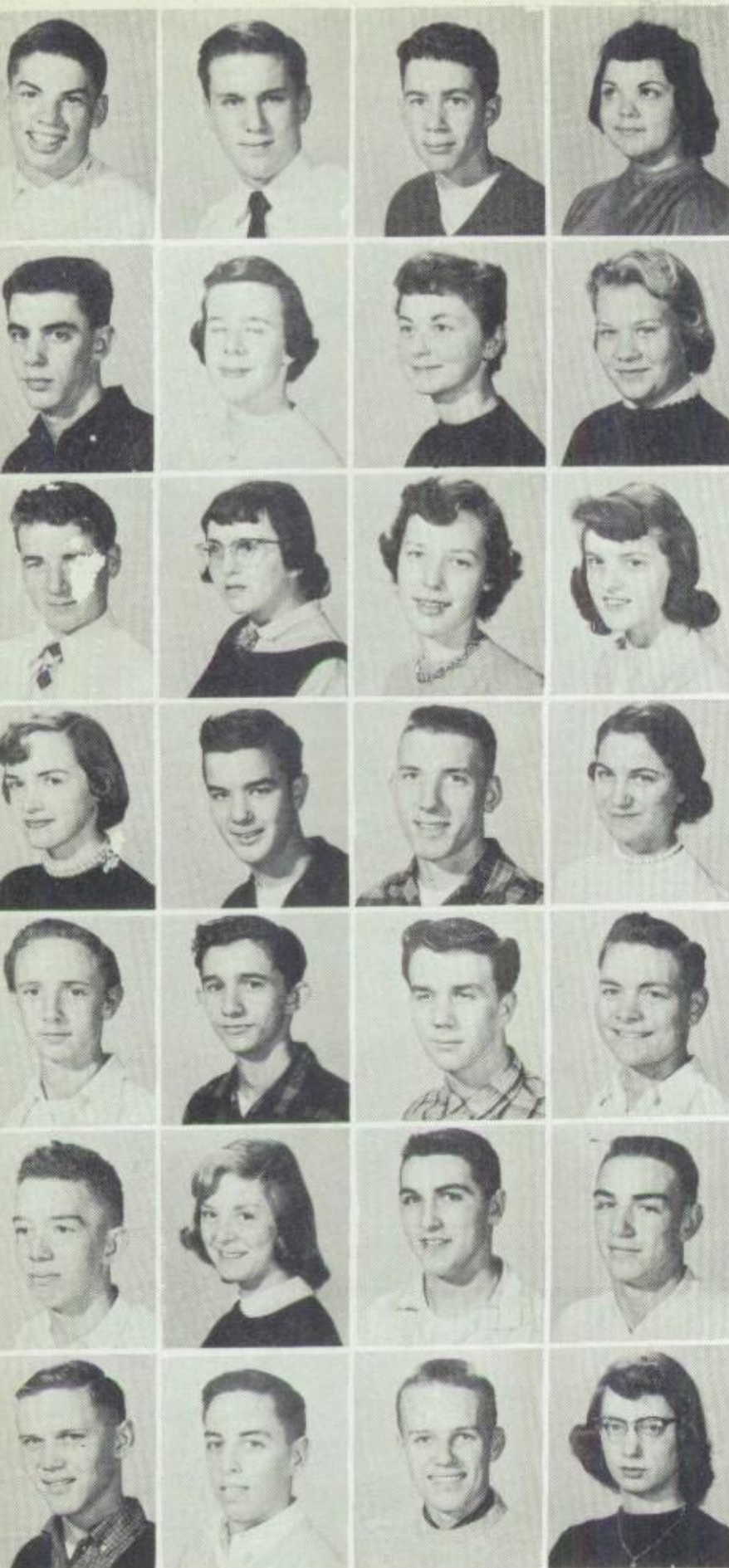


Jacquelyn Geluso
Judy Gill
Sally Gray
Elizabeth Harris
Linda Heiss
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Virginia Hunting
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Eugene Jannenga
Barbara Jorgensen
Ruth Ann Jost
Florence Keiser





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Carol Leroux
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Linda Strickland



10th GRADE

10th GRADE OFFICERS

Jerry Carlson, President, Mary Haight,
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McBride, Advisor, Tom Krause, Vice-President.





Mildred Barker
Gary Barnes
Milton Barry
Kenneth Beauchamp

Jim Adams
David Aldrich
Darlene Ashley



Alice Beckett
Karen Bellamy
Lynn Bird
Betty Jane Blakeslee

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Pat Bloomfield
Gary Boltinghouse



Edmund Brodowski
Bernard Bronsink
Allyn Brownell

Annette Burrows
Jerry A. Carlson
Diane Cassone



Sheldon Christensen
Lois Cole
Edward Cornett
Patricia Covey

Reggie Craft
Shirley Crandell
William Critchell



John Cutler
Betty Dean
Gerald DeKubber
Donavon DeWald

Judith Dolan
Kenneth Duncan
Karen Durfee



Lois Ellens
Charles Fiers
Charlene Fisk
June Fonger

Marilyn Foster
Nadine Francis
Mona Gillikin



Clare Gillespie
Judith Goble
Robert Graves
Mary Alice Haight

Charles Haling
Arnold Hammer
Gail Hanthorn



Kay Hartwell
Eva Haselton
Robert Havens
Melvin Hoekstra

Friderick Homminga
Donald Hunt
Rose Hutchings



Marilyn Jackson
Joel Jannenga
Susan Keech
David Kendall

Robert Kendall
Lena Kingery
Thomas Krause



Judy Lichnovsky
Sandra Liefbroer
Louise Lilley
Kay Mason

Clarence Matthews
Carol Miller
Elmer Miller



Fredricka Minion
Maureen Murphy
Jerry Neer
Patricia Nelson

Vicki Nelson
Barbara Neumann





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 Barbara Paas
 Dorothy Parks
 Ronald Peterson
 Linda Pickney
 Andy Pogee
 Charles Polonowski
 Phyllis Porter
 Ann Pratt
 Helen Reed
 Donald Rush
 Wendell Saladin
 Eugene Sawyer
 Lorraine Schemerhorn
 Rowland Schreiber
 Paul Seeley
 John Shevock
 Todd Sloan
 Marleigh Sowerby
 Donald Stinson
 Sara-Lynn Stoliber
 Patricia Streeter
 Alma Stuthard
 Sarah Sullivan
 Rosalie Tompkins
 Margaret Trombley
 Gordon Tucker
 Dale Tyrell
 Carol VanderMolen
 JoAnne VanDriel
 Melvin VanDriel
 John VanNoord
 Robert Vredenburg
 JoAnn Waid
 Virginia Weller
 Ralph Wilson
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 Mike Wolven
 Kay Wooden
 Douglas Wozniak
 Willis C. Young
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9th GRADE

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 Treasurer, Mrs. Drumm, Advisor.





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 Sallie Boltinghouse
 Philip Bonner
 Janice Boss
 Gerald Bronkema
 Larry Bronsink
 Doris Brownyard
 Jacob Callen
 John Campbell
 Steven Carlson
 Jean Cavanaugh
 Sally Cavanaugh
 Ruth Charles
 David Crane
 Carolyn Dame
 Mary Ellen DeBruyn
 Mary DeGraff
 Patricia DeJager
 Tim DeRegnaucourt
 Joel DeVries
 Ruth Dines
 David Dodgson
 Gloria Dosenberry
 Carol Drullinger
 Larry Elkins
 Bobbie Jo Ellens
 Allen Erhart
 James Evans
 John Falarski
 Clarence Feikema
 Herman Feikema
 Louis Ferrand
 Arlene Fiers
 Jerry Finch
 James Fowle
 Susan French
 Todd Fulbright
 Dorothy Garfield
 Francis Gedritis
 Terry Grear
 Charles Gross
 James Hall
 Larry Hall
 Patricia Heath
 William Hansen
 Dayle Hardie
 Patricia Harmon
 Georgia Ann Hartwell
 George Herrington
 Kenneth Hoekstra
 Linda Hoekstra
 Carole Holden
 Karen Hoover
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 Nancy King
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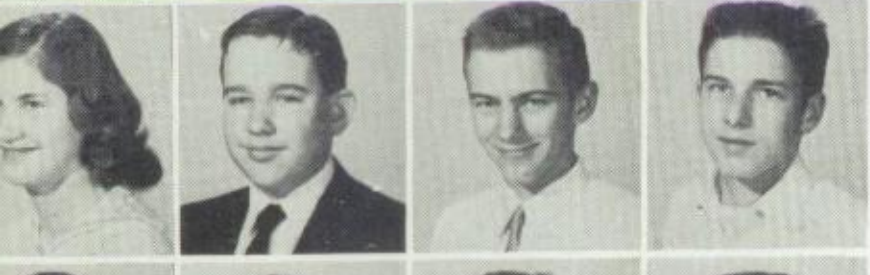
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Michael Moyes
Loretta Mulder
Esther Myers
Arlene Newton



Roger Nielsen
Judith Niemitalo
Joyce Niswonger
Gail Norman
Hohn Norton
Sally Nuyen
Craig Peterson



Judith Peterson
Ric Pinder
Dale Phillips
Duanne Phillips
Charles Plambeck
Carol Ploeg
Thelma Potes



Hohn Richards
Sally Robe
Richard Roe
Gerald Schaap
Harry Sherman
Leta Smith
Tom Sonke



David Stiles
Orvil Sullivan
Gerald Swanson
Arlene Teesdale
Rosaleea Todd
Sandra Trendt
Nancy Ann Tyrell



Ronald Vander Meer
Catherine VanderPan
Clarine VanderPan
Sandra Vis
Joanne Waid
Victoria Wesslund
Mary Anne Whittall



Suzanne Whittall
Mary Wood

8th GRADE

8th GRADE OFFICERS

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Yvonne Alber
Frank Andrews
John Austin
Lloyd Becker
Larry Bloomfield
David Blouw
Bonita Boyd





Christine Brodowski
 Roy Brown
 Sharie Burch
 Kirsten Carlson
 Larry Christensen
 Barbara Cooper
 Teddy DeFouw
 Gail DeRegnaucourt
 Pam DeRegnaucourt
 Bonnie DeWitt
 Henry Dieterich
 Suzie Disbrow
 Raymond Dulyea
 Carl Dunn
 Sandra Dunn
 Gary Edgecomb
 Bob Engler
 James Enter
 Michael Falarski
 Ric Farmer
 Mary Ann Feikema
 Betty Fiers
 James Floyd
 Dennis Ford
 Donna Foster
 David Gray
 Sharon Hall
 Thomas Hanson
 Lonnie Humphrey
 Betty Hunt
 Nancy Hunt
 Bill Hunt
 Patricia Hunting
 Ernest Jewell
 John Jewell
 Donald Johnston
 Sue Judson
 Jim Keech
 Nick Keech
 Kirk Keeler
 Kay Kessler
 Carol King
 Merri-Beth King
 Suzanne Leonard
 Judy Letts
 Terry Ludford
 James Maskell
 George Mason
 Timothy McClellan
 Robbie Minion
 John Mooney
 David Niemitale
 Ethel Norman
 Jim Norton
 Jerry Nydam
 Bernard Oldenkamp
 Virginia Parks
 Pamela Petersen
 Bill Plambeck
 Sandra Poot
 Lucinda Randall
 Linda Reynolds
 Dean Richardson
 Elaine Robinson
 Aaron Rummage
 Trella Schade
 Sandra Schuitema
 Patricia Senko
 Patricia Simonis
 Timothy Simonis





Robert Smith
Verna Smith
Kathy Stouten
Margaret Wells

Jerry Wesche
Mary Witt



7th GRADE

7th GRADE OFFICERS

Debbie Bixby, Secretary, Barbara Bennett, Treasurer, Drake Knapp, President, Mrs. Holmes, Advisor, Jan Stieninger, Vice-President, Mr. Conrad, Advisor.



Barbara Bennett
Jack Beukema
Sue Berry
Debora Bixby



Norma Bowen
James Brower
Katherine Craft
Harold Crawford
Patricia Blakeslee
Rodd Blakeslee
Randall Bond



Judy Doyle
Danny Elkins
Evelyn Exton
Sandra Exton
Sandra Dame
Herman Dines
Janet Doyle



Betty Follick
Rose Fonger
Janeen Fox
Helen Graves
Sheila Farrell
Jacklyn Ferguson
Katherine Ferrand



Drake Knapp
Penny Krick
Jimmy Kyburz
Mary Miller
Larry Groen
Thomas Huebner
Steve Johnson



Roger Patterson
Joyce Pogue
Jacquie Shogren
Jan Steining
Jim Metzger
Janina Neumann
LaVerne Norman



Gary Wallen
Carl Wiltse
Karen Wolven
John Wozniak
Sharon Stegenga
Steve Turner
Kathleen Vis





Help a thief??????



Our 1951 Safety Patrol.



Who me??????



Good night, kids . . .



Help, please don't hit me . . .



Who used my flash bulbs??



Smile pretty, kids . . .

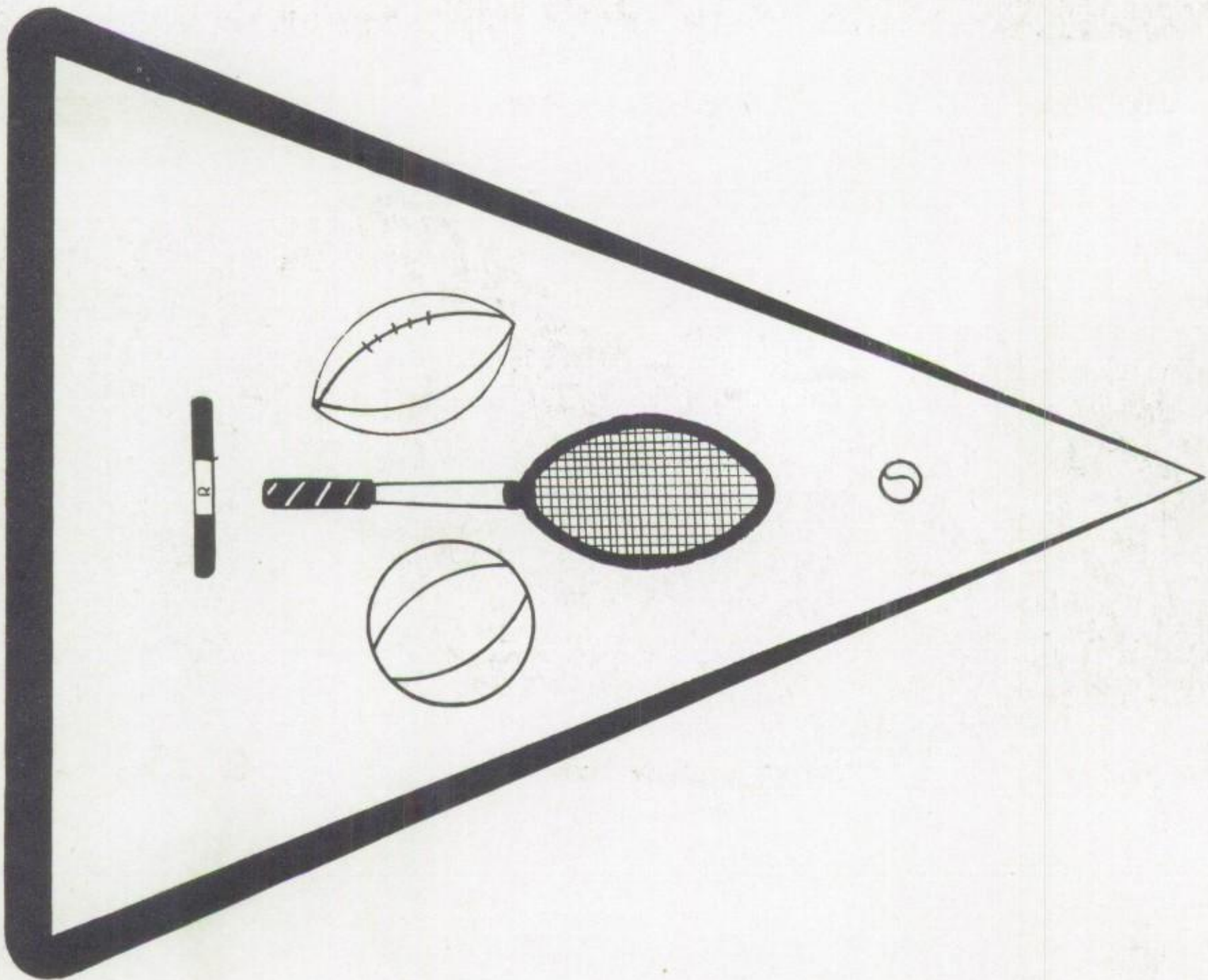


Woof, Woof . . .



What nine years will do for a fellow . . .

SPORTS



HOME



Barb Meinke, Queen Katy,
Nancy Koning and Nancy Fisher



Donna Brodowski, Barbara Benham,
Queen Katy, and Bonda Goble.



Bonda Goble
and Barb Benham

Carolyn Seelman
and Patricia Otto



Arlyn Kay Voss
and Katy Morrison



Donna Brodowski
and Nancy Fisher

Barbara Meinke
and Nancy Koning



COMING

Each fall the homecoming ceremony is looked forward to with eager anticipation. Members of the court this year were: Barbara Benham, Nancy Fisher, Carolyn Seelman, Nancy Koning, Patricia Otto, Bonda Goble, Donna Brodowski, and Kathy Marrison, Queen.

The annual ceremony was held during the halftime of the Rockford-Sparta football game with Queen Katy being crowned. Following the game, a homecoming dance was held in the high school gym. James Farmer was crowned King with John Krause, Bill Herrington, David Dagley, and Mike Otterbacher on the king's court.

Queen Katy and co-captains Melvin Eggleston and John Krause



Queen Katy and Arlyn Kay during halftime ceremony of Rockford-Sparta football game.

Queen Katy Morrison and King Jim Farmer

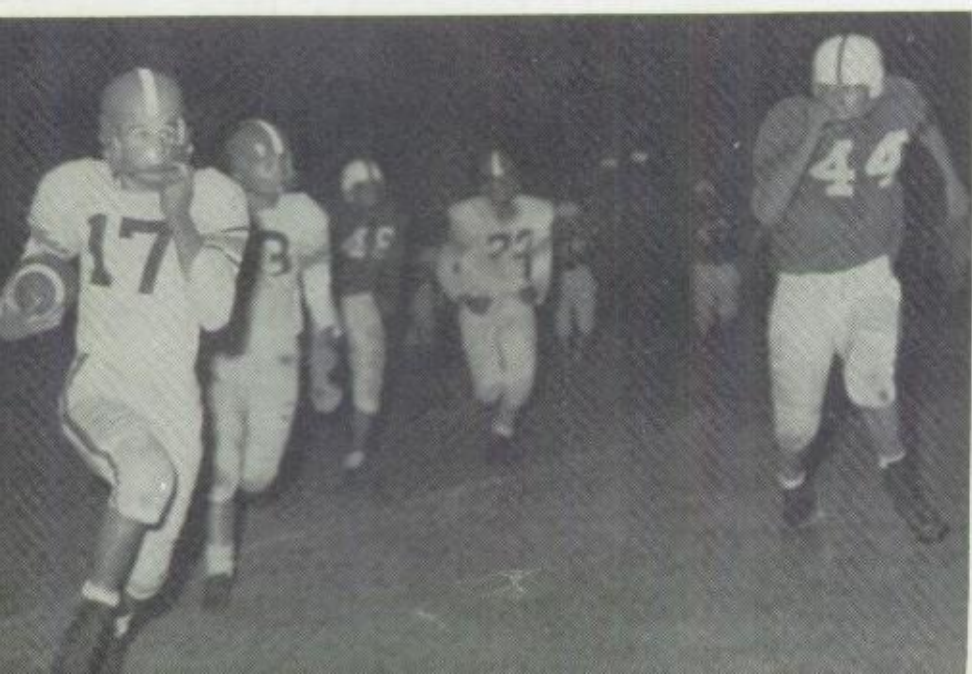




VARSITY FOOTBALL

The Rams' season was one which could not be measured by the victory column. Although the Rams only won half of their games, they were beaten only twice by more than one touchdown. The Rams probably played their hardest game in their loss to East Grand Rapids. The Rockford fans were proud of our boys, but our team went home sad, because they had made up their minds they were going to win. The East game just shows the spirit that our team did have.

We only lost eight seniors this year, and we all think Rockford will have another team to be proud of next year.



VARSITY



Melvin Eggleston
Guard
Co-Captain



David Dagley
End



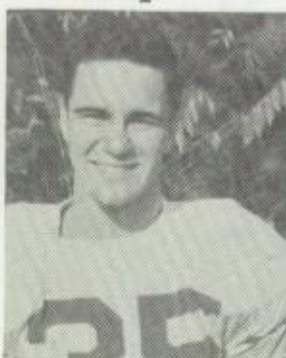
James Farmer
Full Back



Bill Herrington
Half Back



John Krause
Quarter Back
Co-Captain



Michael Otterbacher
End



Charles Parks
Tackle



Daniel VanDyke
Guard



Robert VanderMey
Tackle



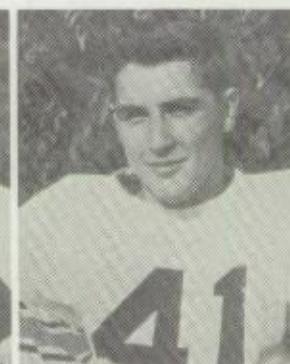
Melvin VanDriel
Full Back



Robert Graves
Half Back



Clare Gillespie
Center



James Wondergem
Full Back



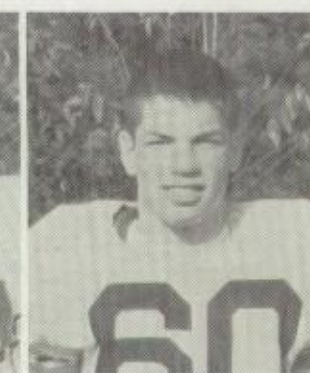
Eric Arentz
Half Back



Melvin May
End



Walter Nelson
Guard



Jim King
Guard



Don Verduin
Head Coach

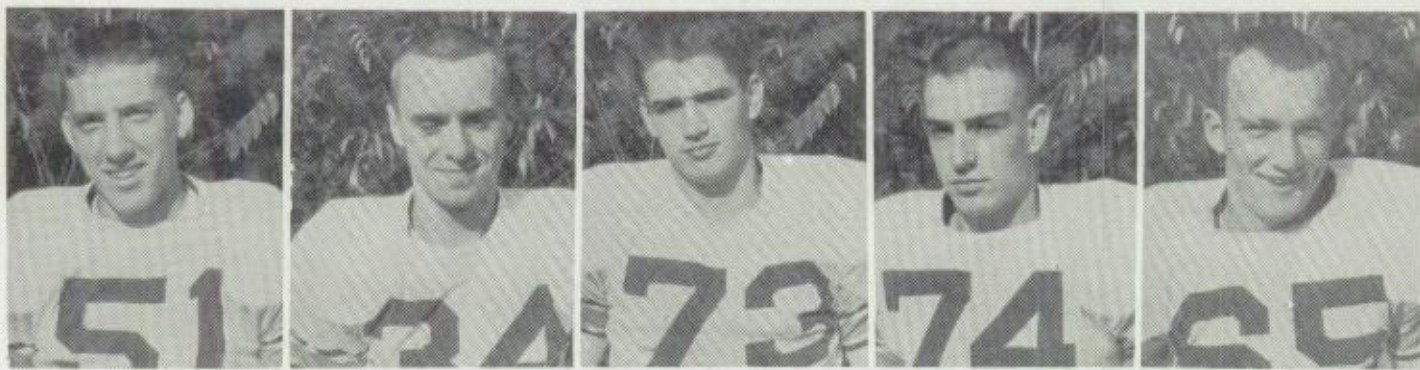


Danny Elkins



Jerry Carlson
Manager

FOOTBALL



Earl Salminen David Cook Robert Vredenburg Marshall Wondergem Melvin Hoekstra
Center Half Back Tackle Tackle Guard



Thomas Krause Jerry Neer Gene Sawyer Todd Sloan
Half Back Guard End Tackle

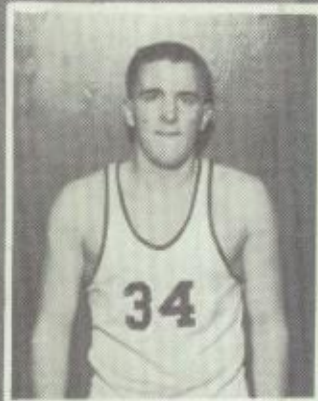


Roger Bonner Gary Barnes Michael Wolven Tim Farmer David Kingwill
Center End End Quarter Back Half Back

Rockford	13	Comstock	0
Rockford	33	Sparta	6
Rockford	14	Lee	0
Rockford	0	Godwin	26
Rockford	0	East	6
Rockford	7	Grandville	14
Rockford	26	Wyoming	19
Rockford	12	Lowell	46



Fred Schultz
Assistant Coach



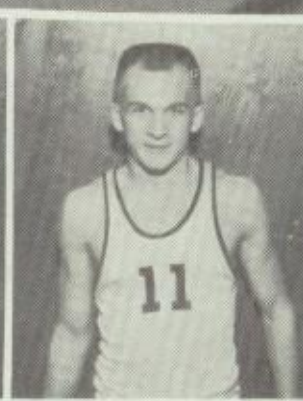
DAVID DAGLEY



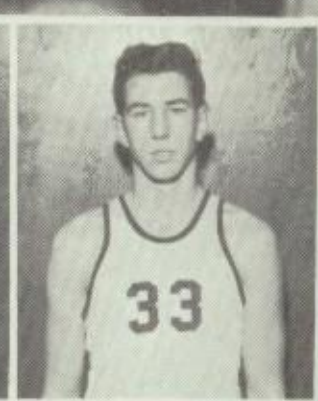
JIM FARMER



BILL HERRINGTON



JOHN KRAUSE



DICK LONDON



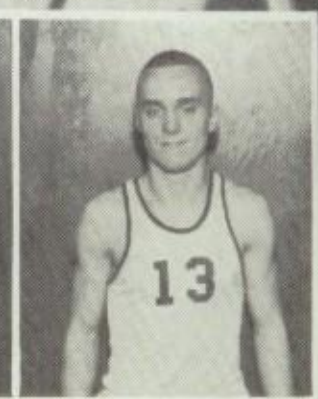
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LEONARD WELLER

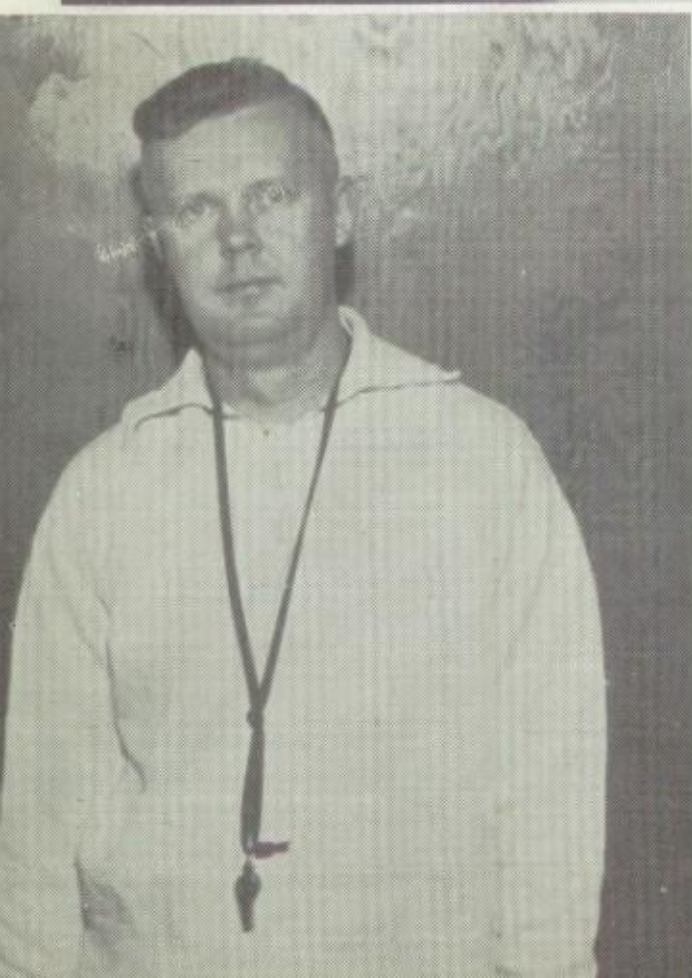


JOHN BUCKINGHAM

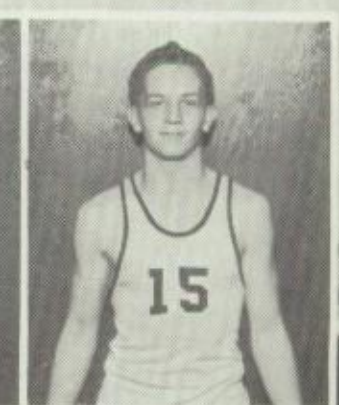


DAVE COOK

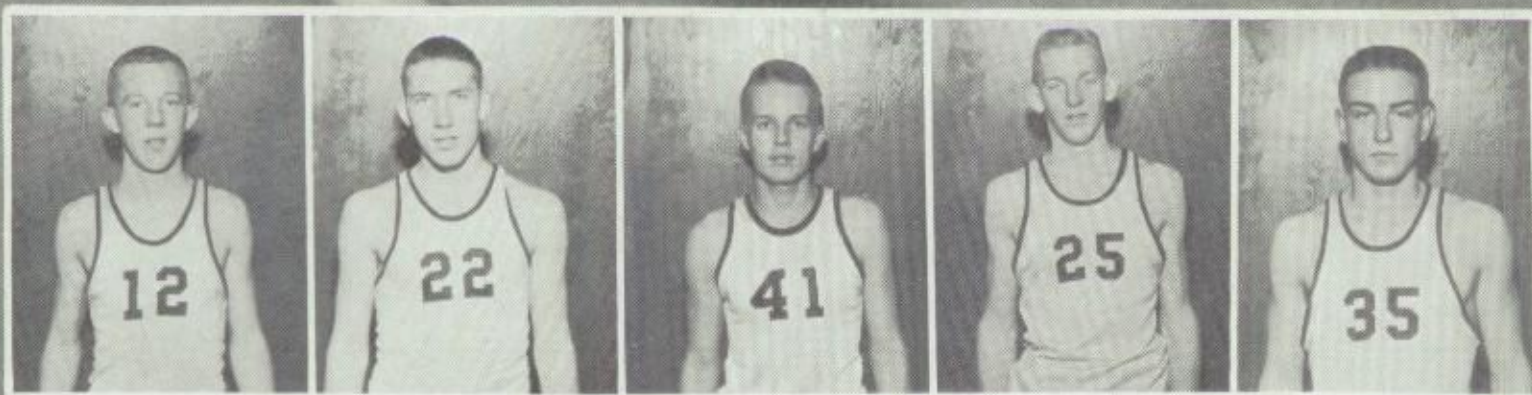
COACH BEN CONRAD



JERRY DAVIS



TIM FARMER



DEAN MOREHOUSE

EARL SALMINEN

JACK STEGENGA

ROGER WRIGHT

MARSHALL WONDERGEM

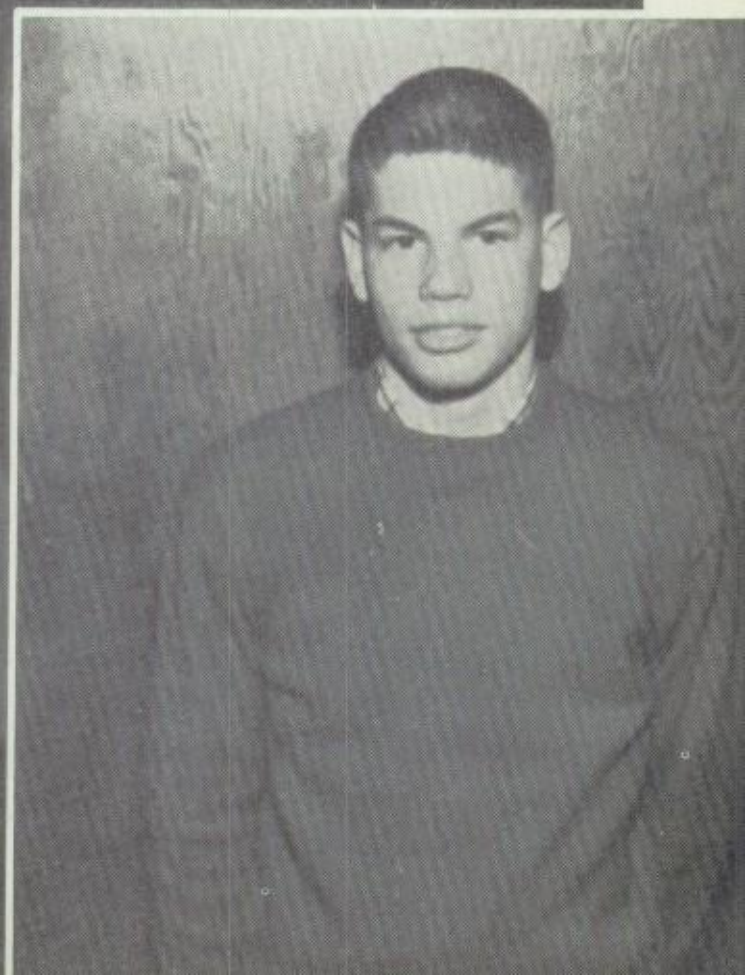
BASKETBALL 1956-57

Rockford

Opponent

43	41	Ionia
40	64	East
41	35	Godwin
51	54	Wyoming
44	42	Lowell
42	69	Cedar Springs
57	62	Lee
44	47	Greenville
47	73	Grandville
47	60	East
60	65	Godwin
67	61	Wyoming
58	61	Lowell
50	51	Kelloggsville
51	77	Lee
50	55	Grandville
Tournament Game		
58	70	Godwin

JAMES KING





RESERVE FOOTBALL

First row: Milton Berry, Bernard Bronsink, Ken Boltinghouse, Dave Aldrich, Willie Young, Gordon Tucker, John Norton, Ed Brodowski, Bill Critchell. Second row: Clarence Feikema, Gerald Kitson, Joel DeVries, Larry Elkins, Albert Kozal, Steve Carlson, Bob Spencer, Jim Fowle, John Campbell, Tim DeRagnaucourt. Third row: Mike Kerr, Ed Jewell, Charles Plambeck, Craig Peterson, Tom Jackson, Sheldon Christenson, Larry Bronsink, Jim Kingwill, Jerry Swanson, Dale Phillips, Ronnie Beckett, Mike Moyes, Coach Bernard Conrad. Fourth row: Coach Jim DeRyke, Larry Keech, John Richards, Mike Falarski, David Dodgson, David Houseman, Bill Hansen, Jerry Finch.

CROSS COUNTRY

First row: Bill Hunt, Manager. Second row: Bob Fiers, Gene Jannenga, Leonard Weller, Dean Morehouse. Third row: Coach Sam Goodman, Carl Bronkema, Fred Kyburz, Jerry Carlson, Bob Fiers, Bert Jackson.





Reserve Basketball: Coach DeRyke, Tim DeRegnaucourt, Gordon Tucker, Jerry Neer, Louis Ferrand, Clare Gillespie, Jerry Carlson, Gary Barnes, Willy Young, Tom Krause, Larry Elkins, Mike Wolven, Clarence Matthews, Manager Don Hunt.



Seventh Grade Basketball: Front row, John Woznick, Rodd Blakeslee, Danny Elkins. Second row, Coach Verduin, Jimmy Kyburz, Steve Johnson, Chad Root, Drake Knapp, Jack Beukema, Carl Wiltse, Steve Turner.

Ninth Grade Basketball: Front row, Dick Livingston, Pete Plambeck, Mike Morse, Albert Kozal, John Campbell. Second row, Jerry Finch, Lee Kitson, Dave Dodgson, Mike Kerr, Dick Fowle, Pete Kuzimski, Joel DeVries, James Evans, David Hutchings, James Hall, Gerold Bronkema, Coach Haaksma.





TRACK

Front row, left to right: Jerry House, Gary Ingraham, Jim Farmer, John Krause, Carl Bronkema, Tim Simonis, Manager, Bill Plambeck, Manager. Second row: David Houseman, Jim King, Bob VanderMey, Roger Bonner, Dave Cook, Marshall Wondergem, Jerry Carlson, Lee Blayden, Rowland Schreiber, Jim Kingwill, Don Hunt. Third row: Dean Richardson, Manager, Coach Verduin, Mike Kerr, Tim DeRegnaucourt, Jim Hall, Jerry Finch, Gene Sawyer, Todd Sloan, Tom Krause, Gary Barnes, Gordon Tucker, Mel Hoekstra, John Norton.

The track turnout this spring isn't the largest in the league by far, but the boys seem to have a lot of desire. Last year we finished third in the league standings, and everyone is working hard to finish right up towards the top again this year.

Tennis seems to be on the up-swing at Rockford. Last year's team finished fourth, and with a large turnout this spring, chances of improving look good. Rockford has all but one of the last year's team members back, and with the added experience it looks as if Rockford might be up towards the top of the heap.

TENNIS

Front row, left to right: Albert Kozal, Willy Young, Dean Morehouse, Jack Stegenga, Robert Havens, Ric Farmer, Manager. Back row: Coach Haaksma, Dick Livingston, Jerry Davis, John Buckingham, Gordon Ploeg, John Zuck, Tim Farmer, Larry Elkins, Louis Ferrand.



Eighth Grade Basketball: Front row, Dean Richardson, Don Johnston, Tim McClellen, Larry Bloomfield, Jim Norton, Tim Simonis, Ernie Jewell, Roy Brown, George Mason, Ric Farmer, Kirk Keeler, Bill Plambeck. Back row, Bill Hunt, Jim Keech, Coach Verduin, Terry Ludford.





BASEBALL

Front row, left to right: Ron Cavner, Jerry Teesdale, Leon Powell, Ken Herringa, Dave Dagley, Leonard Weller, Mike Otterbacher, Dan VanDyke, Gene Sawyer, Bob Fiers. Back row: Charles Plambeck, Dave Kingwill, Ralph Wallen, Bill Beckett, Don Plumb, Clark Vredenburg, Don Cavner, Jim Wondergem, Wally Cox, Coach Fox.

Rockford is proud to devote this page of the Ram's Tale to last year's championship baseball team. The Rams had to fight an uphill battle all year, because of a bad break in the schedule, but on the last day of the year nudged past Godwin to the top of the standings. Congratulations baseball team, and let's make it two in a row this year.





VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

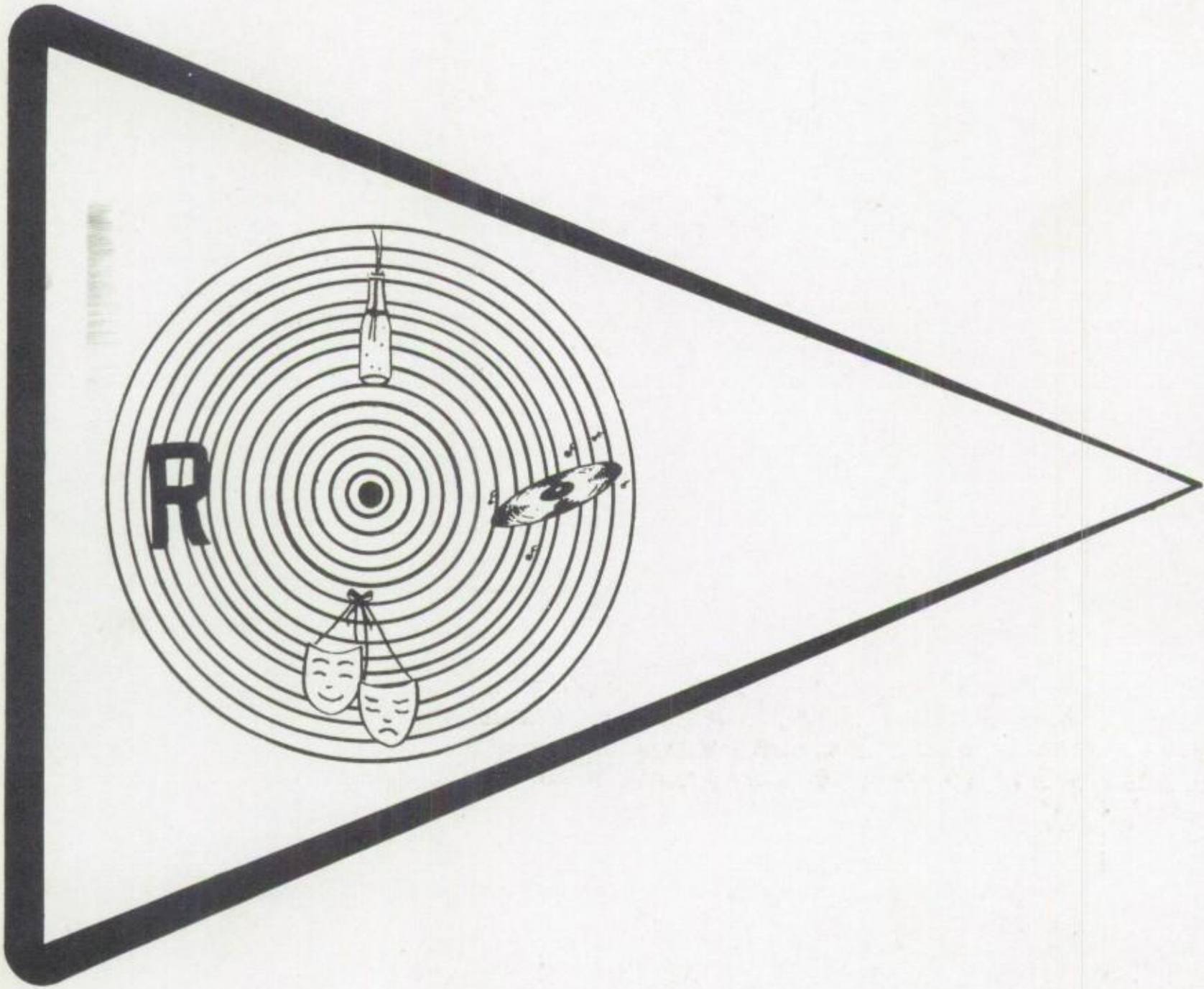
Left to Right: Helen Powell, Sandy Doyle, Barbara Jorgenson, Diane Cassone, Marilyn Foster, Pat Bloomfield, Captain.

SECOND TEAM CHEERLEADERS

Front row: Bobbi Jo Ellens, Linda Langley, Susie Whittal.
Back row: Neba Dorgan, Mary Anne Whittall, Nancy Koster, Captain.



ACTIVITIES



STUDENT



SENIOR STUDENT COUNCIL

Nancy Fisher, Prosecuting Attorney
Pat Otto, Secretary

John Krause, Mayor
Jim Farmer, Chief of Police

Front Row: June Fonger, Leah Langley, Karen Vanden Bosch. Second Row: Nancy Koning, Bonda Goble, Georgia Hartwell, Mary Wood, Dale Hardy, Mary Anne Whittall, Barb Benham, Carolyn Seelman, Mike Ottebacher, Elaine Annis, Carol Meinke, Dorothy Byrne. Third Row: Gail Hanthorn, Judy Lichnousky, Pat Bloomfield, Janet Winkquist, Judy Adams, Alice Jost, Glenda Chrisman, Bill Herrington, Bert Jackson, Pat De Maagd, Judy Gill, Sandy Doyle, Judy Crissman, Ginny Mills, Joyce Spinner, Barb Jorgenson, Jean Paepke, Charles Parks. Fourth Row: Carl Bronkema, Jerry Carlson, Marshall Wondergem, Bob Vander Mey, Don Plumb, Dan Van Dyke, Earl Salminen, Gordon Tucker, Tom Krause, Gene Sawyer, Robert Vis, Roger Wright, Larry Elkins, Jerry Finch, Dean Richardson, Don Bixby, Lee Blayden, Carl Doyle, Allyn Brownell, Mr. Schultz, Advisor.

Police Force: Left to right, Marshall Wondergem, Gary Ingraham, Jim Farmer, Gordon Ploeg.



POLICE FORCE

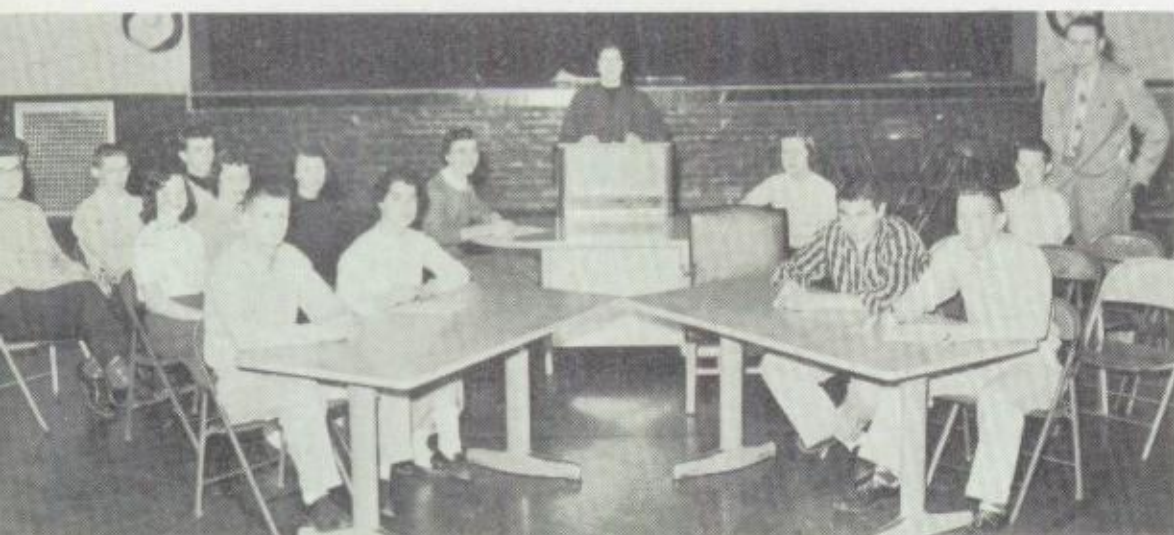
John Campbell, Audlane Whittall, Nancy Whittall, Mike Ottebacher, Ric Farmer, Jerry Carlson, Tim Farmer, Jerry Patterson, Jim Farmer, Gordon Ploeg.

GOVERNMENT



JUNIOR STUDENT COUNCIL

First Row: Kirsten Carlson, Betty Hunt, Pam Peterson, Vonnie Alber, Earnie Jewell, Jim Kyburz, Nick Keech, Tim McClellen, Judy Doyle, Kathy Ferrand, Rose Fonger. Second Row: Dean Richardson; Vice Mayor, Pam De Regnaucourt; Gail De Regnaucourt, Sharon Stegenga, Steve Johnson, Danny Elkins, Kirk Keeler, Trella Schade, Linda Reynolds, Elaine Robinson, Janet Doyle. Third Row: Mr. Goodman, Bill Hunt, Helen Graves, Kay Kessler, Ric Farmer, Sue Lenard. Fourth Row: Drake Knapp, Larry Bloomfield, Mr. Schultz.



COURT

First Row: Jim Farmer, Nancy Fisher, Don Plumb, Dan Van Dyke. Second Row: Janet Winkvist, Jean Paepke, Leah Langley, Pat De Maagd, Karen Vanden Bosch, Bert Jackson. Third Row: Bob Vis, Tom Krause, Wally Cox, Bob Benham, Mr. Schultz, Advisor.

MONITORS

Front Row: Jim Farmer, Leonard Weller, Mike Ottebacher, Dan Van Dyke, Carl Bronkema. Second Row: Carolyn Seelman, Dave Dagley, Katy Morrison, Barb Benham, Bonda Goble, Nancy Whittall, Jane Plambeck, Jo Miller, Elaine-Annis, Ruth Jost, Pat Streeter, Carol Noxen. Third Row: Karen Vanden Bosch, Pat Otto, Pat Bennett, Pat Birman, Sue Robe, Linda Strickland, Charles Parks, Ron Cavner, Roger Barton, Carl Doyle, Don Plumb, John Krause, Dean Morehouse, Willy Young, Gordon Ploeg, Mel May. Mr. Schultz, Advisor.



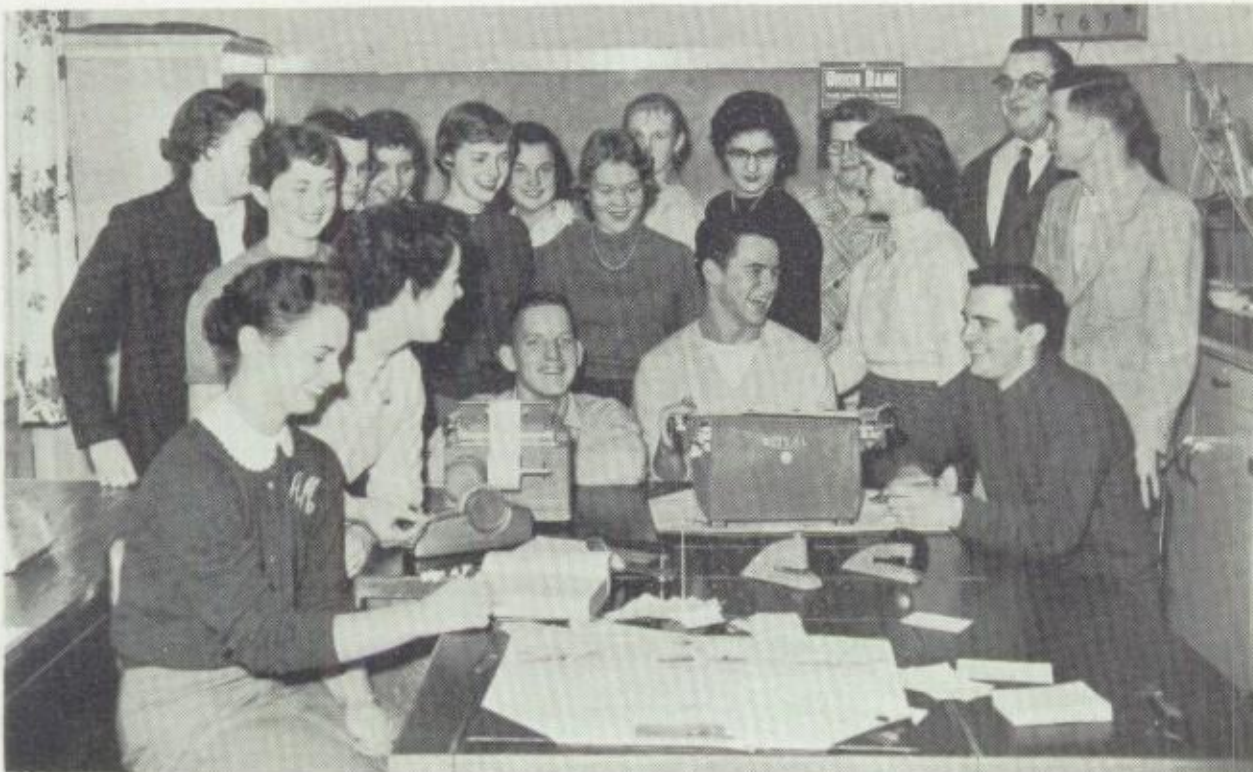


SENIOR Y-TEENS

First Row: Mrs. Clark, Advisor; Carol Hamilton, Sarah Sullivan, Judy Austin, Louise Lilley, Carol Vander Molen, Sandra Root, Beatrice Newton, Lorraine Schemerhorn, Neba Dorgan, Bonnie Dobin, Jayne Plambeck, Delores Newton, Mrs. Harger, Advisor.

First Row: Sue Judson, Elaine Robinson, Donna Foster, Miss Blazer, Betty Hunt, Bonnie Boyd, Pam DeRegnaucourt. Second Row: Nancy Hunt, Cindy Randall, Trella Schade, Linda Reynolds, Peg Wells, Pam Peterson, Mary Witt, Kirsten Carlson, Vonnie Albers, Gail DeRegnaucourt, Sherry Burch. Third Row: Carol King, Bonnie DeWit, Betty Fiers, Merrie Beth King, Kay Kessler, Mary Anne Feikema, Judy Letts, Sue Leonard, Barb Cooper, Sandy Potes. Back Row: Helen Graves, Pat Hunting.





ROCKET STAFF

First Row: Barb Meinke, Nancy Fisher, Dan Van Dyke, Mike Ottebacher, Dave Dagley. Second Row: Carol Meinke, Sue Robe, Jo Miller, Barb Benham, Carolyn Seelman, Mr. Goodman, Advisor; Pat Bronsick, Linda Schillinger, Norma Brownell, Karen Inwood, Bernice Newcomb, Mrs. Hacket, Mr. Ellinger, Advisor.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

Seated: Pat Elerick, Lynn Bird, Sandra Dodge, Faye Rector, Sandra Wood, Joyce Frodel. Standing: Sue Murphy, Bea Herrington, Sandy Liefbroer, Mary Wood, Joan Large, Mrs. Wood, Advisor.





SCIENCE CLUB

Seated: Jerry Carlson, Claire Gillespie, Lee Blayden, Peter Kyzimski, Jane Plambeck, Phil Bonner, James Kingwell, Jerry Swanson, David Hutchings. Standing: Milton Barry, Don Plumb, Paul Seeley, Ronald Bagley, David Houseman, David Dodgeson, Ron Peterson, Jim Hall, Louis Anderson, Mr. Bronson, Advisor.

LATIN CLUB

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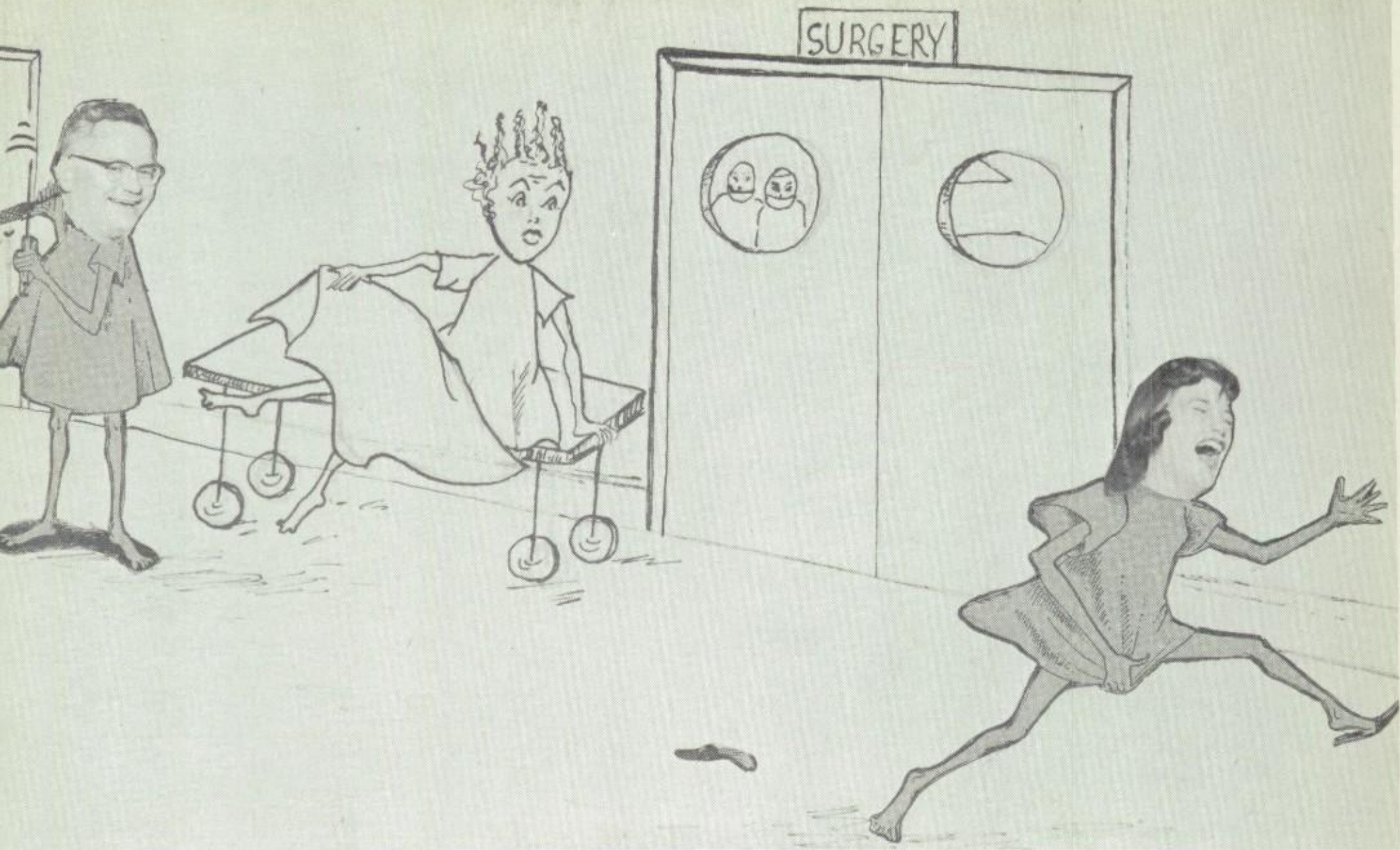
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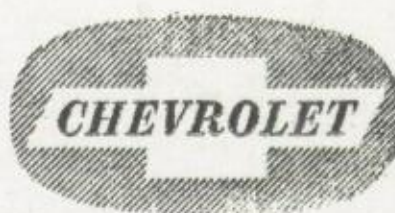
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